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Sale of Salt Meant for Animals for Human Consumption

3600. SHRI RAM NATH KOVIND:
DR. RANBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether All India Institute of Medical Sciences and the International Council for Control of Iodine Deficiency Disorders have in recent past conducted some studies indicating that salt meant for animals is being sold for human consumption;

(b) whether these studies also indicated that Delhi school children still suffer with iodine deficiency;

(c) whether the International Council for Control of Iodine Deficiency Disorders on these studies have also made some recommendations; and

(d) if so, the details thereof with steps to be taken to implement the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI): (a) The studies conducted by All India Institute of Medical Sciences and the International Council for Control of Iodine Deficiency Disorders are yet to confirm that the uniodised salft meant for animal use is being used for human consumption also.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) The main recommendations made are:—

(i) Iodine Deficiency Disorder (IDD) control meastres in the form of effective salt iodisation should be strengthened in Delhi.

(ii) Monitoring of iodine content of salt should be done regularly. In addition to the Government channels, non - governmental organisations and the school system should also be involved.

(iii) Regular IDO prevalence surveys should be carried out to track the progress made towards the elimination of IDD.

India becoming Expensive Destination

3601. PROF. NAUNIHAL SINGH:
Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that tourist package would rise by 15 percent and this would lead to negative publicity as India is already an expensive destination;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the rent of a room in a three-star hotel in India is around $ 80 and many tourists have started to look for other destinations;

(d) if so, the steps taken in the matter

(e) whether Government are proposing a 15 percent tariff on hotel room costing more than Rs. 500 which will result in tourist inflow coming down; and

(f) if so, steps taken to counter it?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI SHRIKANTA JENA): (a) and (b) The cost of tourist packages in dependent on various factors and is worked and is worked out by the Travel Industry based on Market forces

No reports of negative publicity have been received in the Department so far

(c) and (d) No, Sir. Even if it is so, it is not regulated by us since it is a private sector matter depending demand and supply.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) Does not arise.